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## CAMPBELL'S HACIENDA AVENUE GREEN STREET PROJECT RECEIVES RECOGNITION AWARD

## Innovative Project Recognized for Addressing Stormwater Sustainability Goals in a Year of Continuing Accolades

At last week's City Council meeting on December 6, the City of Campbell's Hacienda Green Street Project received recognition for achieving stormwater sustainability goals. California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) Chairperson Jill Bicknell presented the City Council with CASQA's "Outstanding Sustainable Stormwater Project" award. This award recognizes public green street projects for "implementing exemplary projects or making significant contributions to stormwater quality management," said Ms. Bicknell. Public Works Director Todd Capurso appreciated the recognition by saying, "I am pleased that our City received this recognition award for this remarkable project."

In addition to its "complete street design", which improves the street for pedestrian, bicycle and transit use with complete sidewalks, gutters, storm drains, and bike and traffic lanes, this project's sustainability elements prevent pollution from reaching water sources. Mr. Capurso said, "This project successfully incorporated key elements of energy efficiency, pedestrian and vehicular path of travel, and bio-infiltration sustainability improvements." For example, grassy depressions known as bio-infiltration basins capture runoff water from the street containing pollutants from vehicles instead of flowing into storm drains, creeks and ultimately San Francisco Bay. The engineered soil in the grass basins acts as a filter by reducing the amount of metals, chemicals and particulates carried by runoff. The filtered water is then redirected to the water table to replenish ground water supplies.

This award marks the third time this year that Campbell's green street project has been recognized. Last May, the Hacienda Green Street Project received the "Project of the Year" in the "Sustainable/Green Category" for projects costing between \$5 million and \$25 million from the American Public Works Association.

In November this project earned the Santa Clara Valley Urban Runoff Pollution Prevention Program's "Site Design for Stormwater Quality" award for a public green street project. This project is also the first of its kind in California to receive a Silver Certification from the Greenroads Foundation.

This project not only involved the City and other public agencies, but the Campbell community, too. Senior Civil Engineer Fred Ho said, "This project was possible through the collaboration of agency partners and residents who provided input during the project's design phase and for their cooperation during the construction phase."

Project construction began in fall 2013 with completion in fall 2015. Project costs totaled \$6 million; \$2.6 million of which was provided by grant funds. Public Works Department staff secured grant funding from the State of California via Proposition 84 as part of the Bay Area's Integrated Regional Water Management Plan and the federal government via the Valley Transportation Authority's Community Design and Transportation Program.

For more information about this award, contact Senior Civil Engineer Fred Ho at 408-866-2150.



Campbell Mayor Jason Baker accepts the California Stormwater Quality Association's Outstanding Sustainable Stormwater Best Management Practice Project award from CASQA Chairperson Jill Bicknell on behalf of the City of Campbell at the City Council's meeting on December 6, 2016.